

The Missouri Message

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MEXICO. — MISSOURI

Isn't it about time for the young Missourians to show themselves?

There are still some people who won't boost if they can't knock.

Civilization has still a great work to do in Asiatic Turkey.

Good fellows do not always prove the best judges.

Let us at least disarm the bad man who carries a hip-pocket gun.

The husband's question: Why did you get that hat?

The fatal gift of beauty is not hurting the new sultan.

The angel of peace is in a constant state of apprehension in Turkey.

Let us hope that peace has been given the impetus it deserves.

That villain of a taro pie makes our common fly look like a household pet.

When women get the ballot will they expect trading stamps to go along with it?

In the far east it's a wise country that knows what revolution it is the father of.

London's taxicab charge is 16 cents a mile. With us it's apt to be what the taxicabby thinks we've got.

Now that the United States has shown the world its new navy, it can afford to advocate peace.

Some of the British papers are talking longingly of an American alliance. They do not know America.

Women worry too much, claims a woman physician. How much is just enough?

Delaware reports the peach crop destroyed again, but the milliners report that the demand for peach baskets is as active as ever.

Some facts are coming to light that indicate the interior of China to be less barbarous and benighted than generally represented.

The appearance of the prince of Wales as a contestant for the America's cup would possibly leave Sir Thomas Lipton without occupation.

Motorists may not be classified among the diseases to which humanity is subject, but it is raging as much as the orthodox one and is quite as fatal as any.

Atlantic City insists that the artists who model beach sand into statues of Venus shall hereafter drape their productions. A Venus rising from the sea foam with clothes on would have made Praxiteles go and jump off the dock.

Automobiles are a necessity of modern life, and their general use ought to be encouraged, but there is no reason why they should not be used with due regard to the rights of nonusers, who are an overwhelming majority of the public. Those who have at heart the progress of automobilism as an industry, a sport or a means of transportation will find it to their interest to suppress the many reckless drivers who bring their own occupation into disrepute.

The athletic girl and the baseball bat make a combination which, like the great American game itself, is hard to beat. A burglar out in Seattle, Wash., found that out. While engaged in the interesting occupation of burgling the home of a resident of that city he encountered the girl and the big stick. The result was the knocking out of the burglar, who dropped several thousand dollars' worth of plunder and was glad to escape without broken bones.

An interesting outcome of Li Sum Ling's visit to Pekin is the formation of a China-American Friends association. The modern tendencies of the Celestial empire are illustrated by the fact that this movement was the culmination of a banquet given to the Hongkong newspaper proprietor by "leading Chinese journalists." They, with many officials, listened with appreciation to the story of their guest's experiences in the United States, and toasted President Taft as a warm friend of their country.

President Northrop of the University of Minnesota probably would not feel qualified to enter a Marathon race. But he has shown himself possessed of good qualities as a sprinter, even at 68 years of age. He saw two students smoking on the campus, and as that was against the rules the president started toward the young men to admonish them. The offenders took to their heels, and the president took after them. What was more he caught them, and "gave it to them" good and proper.

Perhaps if the experiments in making paper out of cotton stalks and corn stalks are successful, the idea will occur to some inventive genius of making paper out of weeds.

The German bogle man will not catch England because the brave, bold Britons are not watching out. Every now and then the very mention of a German invasion throws them into a panic. But, then, we had some of the same nervous feeling ourselves about that Spanish phantom fleet which invisibly ravished our coast.

INDIAN SLAYS TWO

STUDENT SHOTS FIVE BULLETS INTO LIEUT. COL. WYLLIE'S BRAIN AT LONDON FETE.

DEEP-LAID PLOT IS FEARED

Tragedy at Imperial Institute Believed to Be the Result of a Hindu Decree—Scotland Yard Is Alert.

London.—The shifting to England of the violent spirit of unrest which has long been seething in India, evidenced by the assassination of Lieut.-Col. William Curzon Wyllie by Nadar Lal Dhinagri, Indian student, has aroused the Indian office, and every official of that branch of the government is being guarded closely.

It is believed the killing of Lieut.-Col. Wyllie is but the beginning of an extensive plot, and attempts against other officials are feared. Lord Morley, the secretary of state for India, is being especially guarded, as he is deemed to be in the gravest danger. Despite the refusal of Dhinagri to answer any questions put to him by the police, discoveries made when officers searched his lodgings have led to the taking of the greatest precautions. Papers found in the room show that Dhinagri, who is a Parsee student, 20 years old, attended the gathering at the Imperial Institute for the express purpose of killing Wyllie, whom he knew would be present.

The time was particularly well chosen, for the meeting was for the purpose of drawing the native Indian and English people nearer together and endeavoring to patch up the fatal breach which the government has been widening for many years.

Two Hundred Persons Present.

An audience of 200 was present, among them many Hindu students from Cambridge and Oxford and a score of distinguished Hindu visitors to England. Among the latter was Dr. Calvas Lalcaha, who was killed by a stray shot when Dhinagri emptied his revolver at Wyllie.

The entire setting of the room was Oriental and Indian costumes were worn by many of the guests. The assassin, however, was in English dress, except for a turban.

Dhinagri met Wyllie at the conclusion of the meeting as the latter was leaving the hall and, without a word, drew a revolver and fired five shots into the skull of the Englishman. A sixth shot passed over Wyllie's head as he fell and struck Dr. Lalcaha in the breast. Wyllie died before the excited men and women could reach his side and the Parsee doctor died before he reached a hospital.

Governor of Nipal.

Wyllie had served as resident governor at Nipal, governor general's agent at Paputana and governor general's agent in Central India. Dr. Lalcaha was a practicing physician at Shanghai.

The police are making every effort to elicit from Dhinagri the real extent of the plot which they suspect is under way, looking to the wholesale assassination of Indian officials.

While he steadfastly refuses to divulge anything, Scotland Yard is hard at work on other features of the case and sensational developments are expected.

LID ON AT CURFEW TOLL

Nebraska Saloons Must Begin 8 P. M. Closing Friday—Are to Open at 7 A. M.

Omaha, Neb.—The saloons of this city hereafter will put up shutters and turn out lights when the curfew rings. At 7 a. m. Friday they begin under the new law, opening at that hour. They will close at 8 p. m. This not only applies to the saloons in Omaha, but to all in the state.

The men who look upon wine made the most of their opportunity Thursday night. There were lively scenes in the streets and barrooms around midnight. Songs were sung and the health of every one drunk in all sorts of liquors. The Liquor Dealers' association has voted unanimously to obey the law.

Falconio Stays in Washington.

Rome.—A semi-official statement issued from the Vatican says that Mgr. Falconio, apostolic delegate at Washington, will leave soon for that city. The news of his approaching recall is stated to be unfounded.

Oldest Board of Trade Man Dies.

Chicago, Ill.—Henry A. Towner, who, when he retired from the board of trade a few months ago, was the oldest living member, died at his home in Highland Park. He was 77 years old.

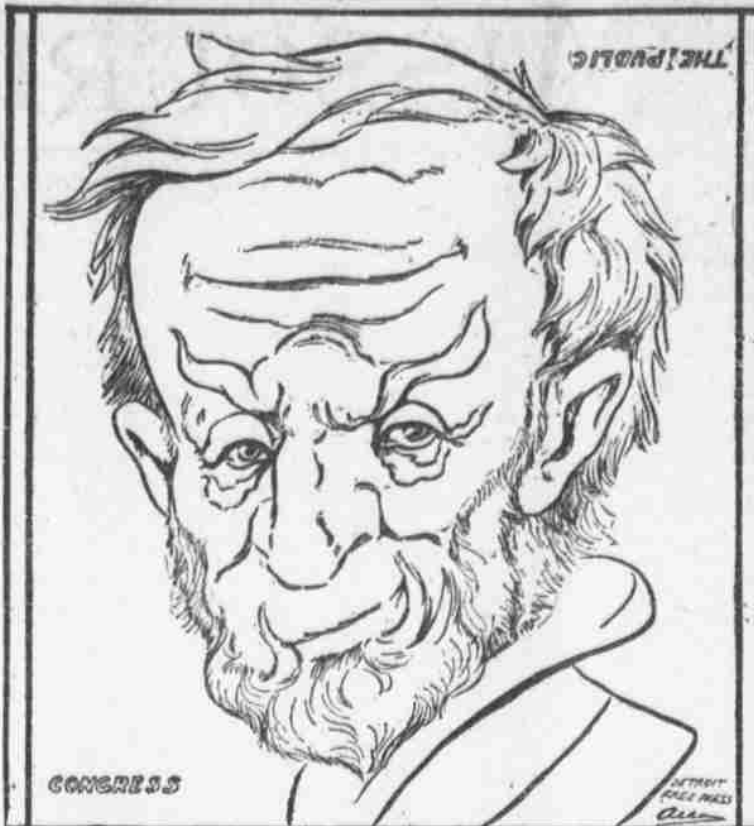
Girl Killed Her Sult.

Shreveport, La.—Wimbreck Boney, Jr., was shot and killed by an immigrant Italian girl while her father, mother and sweetheart held him. The girl sets up the unwritten law as her defense.

Steel Men Get Increase.

Jamestown, Pa.—The ten per cent increase granted by the Cambria Steel company affecting about 10,000 men, went into effect Thursday. An official is authority that the rolls will thus be increased \$1,000,000 a year.

LOOK AT THIS AND LOOK AT THAT.



SLAYS PARENTS; KIDNAPS FAMILY

IOWA MAN SHOTS PARENTS OF DIVORCED WIFE AND FORCES HER TO FLEE WITH HIM.

POSSE FOLLOWS IN STORM

After Being Surrounded in a Barn, Murderer Makes His Escape—Life of Woman and Child Is Threatened.

Des Moines, Ia.—Calvin Littlepage, a farmer living near Valley Junction, a suburb of Des Moines, shot and killed Elmer Jamieson and Mrs. Jamieson, both parents of his divorced wife, and then forced her and her infant babe to enter a buggy which was waiting and flee with him.

The murderer then drove toward Adel in a blinding rain and hail storm, but was pursued by a posse from Des Moines. Farmers along the highway with shotguns joined in the chase, attracted by the pitiful screams of the orphaned woman, who cried out that she, too, would be slain by her former husband.

The tragedy is the result of the refusal of Mrs. Littlepage to live with her former husband, she having been divorced from him last May. Threats of murder on the part of Littlepage were often made, according to the wife's story prior to the tragedy.

Chases Farmer From Home.

Shortly before midnight the posse was close behind Littlepage, who had doubled on his tracks and suddenly turned his buggy up an unfrequented lane. At the home of Arse Buttler, a half mile from Valley Junction, he stopped and ordered Buttler to throw up his hands and leave the premises. Then Littlepage entered the house, commanding his wife to precede him. The posse was now close upon him. In a few minutes the murderer came out of the rear door, urging his wife to follow, but she screamed and ran out of the front door and into the hands of Marshal W. A. Houke, of Valley Junction, and the advance of the posse.

Littlepage took refuge in a hay barn and was surrounded there. He is heavily armed, carrying a Winchester and a revolver.

At 1:30 a. m. Wednesday Littlepage succeeded in breaking through the cordon of officers surrounding him in a barn on the Buttler farm. The fading light of the moon made it difficult to cover all avenues of escape.

Ford Car Gets First Prize.

Seattle, Wash.—The protest of the Shawmut car against the award of the first prize in the New York to Seattle automobile race to Ford car No. 2 was disallowed by Robert Guggenheim, the referee.

Ex-Confederate Brigadier a Suicide.

Oakland, Cal.—Gen. George B. Cross, aged 69, a native of Kentucky and one of the few surviving brigadiers of the Confederate army, committed suicide by inhaling gas. He had been suffering from paralysis.

Gongers Welcomed in Dublin.

Dublin, Ireland.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, who is visiting Ireland, preparatory to an European trip, was welcomed here at a special meeting of the Dublin Trades Council.

Earthquake Diverts River.

Relban, Algeria.—Two sharp earth shocks which occurred here caused the collapse of the cliffs overhanging the river Mina. There were no casualties, but the course of the river was diverted.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE RIOTING

Delegates in Convention Call Each Other Names—Almost Reach Hair-Pulling Stage.

Seattle, Wash.—The state convention of the Washington Woman Suffrage association was marked by scenes of confusion and almost violence. A faction numbering about 50, led by Mrs. Mary Arkwright Hutton, of Spokane, sought to oust the present officers headed by President Emma Smith Devoe, whose supporters numbered 200.

The report of the committee on credentials declared that the Spokane delegates were not entitled to seats. On the debate on the report some of the delegates called others "thieves," "liars," and "scoundrels," and there was hysterical weeping and screaming.

Being notified that there was a riot in Plymouth church, a squad of policemen entered and found the convention in tears.

WILL INSPECT MISSISSIPPI

Inland Waterways Commission Starts from Buffalo on Long Trip to Mouth of the Ohio.

Buffalo, N. Y.—The inland waterways commission, under instructions of congress, met here Thursday and started on a trip of inspection that will last two months.

The commission will go by lake to Duluth, and thence to St. Paul, whence it will start down the Mississippi river, ending the inspection at the mouth of the Ohio. The commission will be met at St. Paul by prominent business men interested in the deeper-channel project, and several important matters, including the proposed harbor plans for St. Paul, the improvement of the Minnesota river and the high-dam question, which covers proposed work between St. Paul and Minneapolis.

Late in the month the body will leave for Europe, to inspect the waterways of Germany and Holland.

NEGRO NOT SAFE FIREMAN

Georgia Legislature Has Bill Compelling Employing Whites on Passenger Trains.

Atlanta, Ga.—A bill requiring all railroads to employ on passenger trains one white fireman, or assistant engineer, was introduced in the senate. The bill requires that this assistant shall be competent to take charge of an engine in case of disability of the engineer and authorizes railroads to increase the passenger tariff on all such trains so as to pay the cost of this additional help.

The purpose is stated as "being not to prevent railroads from employing negro firemen, but as an additional safeguard to public travel."

Cincinnati Has New Water Plant.

Cincinnati, Ohio.—The system of filtration and water supply for this city and suburbs was officially completed and formally transferred to the city. The plant has been under construction for twelve years. It cost about \$12,000,000.

Jap Squadron Sails Home.

Honolulu, H. I.—The training squadron of Admiral Ichi sailed for Japan Thursday and the cruiser St. Louis will leave Sunday for Samoa.

Abdul Hamid Donates \$5,000,000.

London, Eng.—A special dispatch from Saloniki says that former Sultan Abdul Hamid has handed the authorities there a check for \$5,000,000 which will be devoted to the needs of the second and third army corps.

Iowa Rivers Overflow.

Des Moines, Iowa.—Both the Racoon and Des Moines rivers set new high water marks, the former at 10.5 and the latter at 14.1. Much damage has been done to corn fields along the two streams.

MAYOR McCLELLAN REMOVES BINGHAM

NEW YORK'S POLICE COMMISSIONER REFUSED TO COMPLY WITH MAYOR'S ORDERS.

POLITICAL MOVE SAYS DEPOSED

Secretary and Three Deputies Retire With Chief—Alleged Persecution of Friendless Brooklyn Lad Starts the Trouble.

New York City.—One of the most drastic upheavals in New York City's police history occurred when Mayor McClellan summarily removed Commissioner Theodore A. Bingham for insubordination after the latter's refusal to comply with certain revolutionary orders issued by the mayor. The mayor's orders came at the conclusion of his investigation into the alleged persecution by the police of George B. Duffy, an inconspicuous and almost friendless Brooklyn lad, who, it was averred, was repeatedly arrested without just cause, and whose photograph was retained in the rogue's gallery despite the failure of the police to obtain a conviction against him. The mayor held that at least two of General Bingham's lieutenants were guilty of misconduct in this affair, and accordingly he demanded their removal.

With General Bingham's retirement went several of his closest advisers and the leading supporters of his regime. As the head of the new regime, the mayor at once appointed William F. Baker, hitherto a deputy commissioner, who indicated that a considerable change in the policy of the department was to be expected.

"The law will hereafter be enforced," he declared, "with reference to the fact that New York is a cosmopolitan city with a cosmopolitan population."

Mayor's Act Is Political.

General Bingham and his friends were outspoken in their declaration that the principal reasons for the mayor's act were political, and that the commissioner's independence of the politicians had resulted in his removal only a few months before the important municipal elections of the autumn. In a statement the commissioner said:

"I leave the office with very little regret. It is a fatiguing task and this is what it leads to.

"Politics have brought about this change. I have done the best I could to give the city a clean and honest police administration, free from any tinge of party politics. But with the approach of an election, the bosses are satisfied that it would never do to have a police commissioner who gave a square deal all around."

Gen. Bingham's last official act was his acceptance of the resignations of his secretary, Daniel G. Slattery, and his deputy commissioners, Bert Hanson, F. H. Bugher and Arthur Woods. He had previously declined to oust Slattery and Hanson, whose removal the mayor demanded, and it was principally upon this point that the split came.

RECEIVER FOR C. P. & ST. L.

Illinois Railroad Defaulted Interest on \$2,000,000 a Second Mortgage on the Road.

Springfield, Ill.—Judge Humphrey, in the United States circuit court, on application of the Trust Company of America, of New York, trustee for the second mortgage bond holders, appointed John P. Ramsey, president of the Chicago, Peoria & St. Louis railway, and Henry M. Merriam of Springfield, receivers of the Chicago, Peoria & St. Louis railway of Illinois.

The receivers filed bond of \$50,000 each and entered upon the discharge of their duties at once. The amount of bonds on which the company has defaulted in interest is \$2,000,000. The railroad company did not contest the appointment of a receiver.

Slayer of Bookkeeper Arrested.

San Francisco, Cal.—John Novak, a laborer, accused of killing Miss Caroline Braush, a bookkeeper for a contracting firm in the office of the company, has been arrested. The girl was shot down during a dispute over 65 cents difference in a pay check.

Robbers Beat Up Recluse.

Bismarck, Mo.—William L. Carney, a wealthy recluse, was found at his home by his son, Thomas Carney, at 1 o'clock Friday morning, unconscious, with his face badly bruised.

Oldest Iowa D. D. Dead.

Des Moines, Ia.—Rev. William Bagley, the oldest Christian minister in Iowa, and civil war chaplain of the Thirty-fourth Iowa, is dead here of old age. He was born at Montpelier, Vt., in 1820.

Wife Murderer Found Guilty.

Reno, Nev.—C. C. Petty, who shot and killed his wife in the Methodist church at Sparks, Nev., on the night of March 9, was found guilty of murder in the first degree, the jury fixing punishment at death.

K. C. POLICE SHAKE-UP

COMMISSIONERS MAKE "CLEANEST SWEEP IN HISTORY."

Patrolmen and Officers So Scattered Over City That Familiar Faces Will Be Rare.

Kansas City.—The much-talked-of shake-up of the Kansas City police force became effective Thursday when the bulletins announcing where officers were to report Friday. To say that the shake-up is thorough would be putting it mild. It is drastic. To quote one of the oldest officers on the force, "It is the cleanest sweep in the history of the department."

In the case of Captain Flahive, who has been on the force for sixteen years and commanded the second precinct in the city as regards to importance, he has been relegated to Westport, a suburb, or, in other words, "the woods."

In explaining the changes, Commissioner Marks, who, by the way, seems to dominate the board, although Mayor Crittenden is its chairman, said: "It is merely a shifting around of the men in the hope that they may do more efficient work. Those who fall from the force altogether."

Among the more important changes are: Captain Flahive, from No. 4 to No. 5; Lieutenant Stone, to command No. 4. Stone came to the force two years ago as a clerk in the detective department. He never before has had a command, but now is in charge of one of the most important precincts in that city.

Captain Whitsett remains in command at headquarters. Captain Hayden goes from Westport to the West Bottoms. Captain Branham, recently sent to the suburbs, remains there. Captain Bray, for years at No. 8, goes to Sheffield. Captain Ennis is shifted from West to the East Bottoms. Captain Clark, who was badly injured in the "Adam God" riot, remains in the Woodland avenue district. Captain Aheron, the deposed chief, is to have charge of the mounted squad.

Plain clothes men and patrolmen have been shifted to such an extent that it is almost impossible to find a familiar face in the downtown squads.

Managers Remove Dr. Kuhn.

St. Joseph, Mo.—Doctor W. F. Kuhn, of Kansas City, summarily was removed as superintendent of State Hospital No. 2 at a special meeting of the board of managers. Doctor F. A. Patterson, of St. Joseph, member of the hospital staff, was directed to take charge of the hospital as acting superintendent until further orders.

When Doctor Kuhn was called before the board a resolution of dismissal was read and W. K. Amick, of St. Joseph, moved its adoption. C. C. Pierce seconded the motion. President Geiger called for a viva voce vote and Amick, Pierce and H. D. Faxon voted aye.

Doctor Kuhn has turned over all the state's property in his possession to Doctor Patterson and will retire gracefully. Doctor Kuhn has volunteered to assist Doctor Patterson in getting started in the management of the hospital in any way he could.

After the vote on the resolution by the board there was a momentary pause, apparently to give Doctor Kuhn an opportunity to express himself.

"Gentlemen, that's all very well, but, under the law, charges must be preferred and there must be a trial," Doctor Kuhn said. "The law is very clear on that point. I simply give notice that there will be further proceedings."

Girl's Assault on Hang.

Bowling Green, Mo.—Mert Holman, a negro, was convicted of attacking the 14-year-old daughter of Charles Flowers, of McCune Station, Mo., and sentenced to be hanged.

This is the first death sentence inflicted in Pike county since 1885. Mob violence has been threatened ever since the arrest of Holman.

According to the testimony, Holman was aided in his crime by Marcellus Butler, another negro. The pair held the girl at bay with a razor. Then they dragged her two miles.

Both negroes fled after the crime. Holman getting almost to Salt river before he was captured. Butler was arrested near here.

Cora Flowers, the victim, took the stand for the prosecution.

Reprieved Slayer Not Insane.

Jefferson City.—Governor Hadley stated that he had received a report from Doctor Ernest F. Robinson, member of the state board of health, and Doctor E. W. Schauffer, of Kansas City, whom he requested to examine Claude Brooks as to his mental condition, and that they reported they "were unable to find any evidences of insanity."

The governor gave no intimation as to what action he would take in the matter at the end of the thirty-day respite.

A Pickup.

Man who tried to drown himself was arrested the other day, and nobody tried to bail him out.—Cleveland Leader.

"What's in a Name?"

Champaign, Ill., has voted for prohibition. But, cheer up! Coldwater, Mich., has declared for local option.

Small Talk.

All the Baconian clippers in the plays of Shakespeare amount to naught.

HER FRIENDS WONDER

How Mrs. Kessler Was Rescued from Almost Certain Death.

Few have lived through such trials and suffering from kidney disease as were endured by Mrs. Caroline Kessler of W. Main St., Paw Paw, Mich. Well and strong again, her case is thought a miracle by her friends. What Mrs. Kessler went through makes a long story—backache, rheumatism, dizzy and fainting spells, urinary disorders, dreadful bloating of dropsy and finally a complete prostration that defied medical skill and caused her to be given up. Through the use of Doan's Kidney Pills Mrs. Kessler is a well woman and is willing to tell about her case to anyone who cares to inquire.

Sold by all dealers, 50 cts. a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

WHAT WERE THEY THERE FOR

Reporter's Seemingly Superfluous Question as to Happenings at Cabinet Meetings.

Postmaster General Meyer is of a serious turn of mind, but he has a bit of humor in his makeup, nevertheless. Being looked upon as the shrewdest politician in the president's cabinet, he is the objective point for newspaper correspondents on cabinet days.

Last week as Mr. Meyer emerged from the White House a newspaper man asked:

"Mr. Postmaster General, can't you give us some news about the cabinet meetings?"

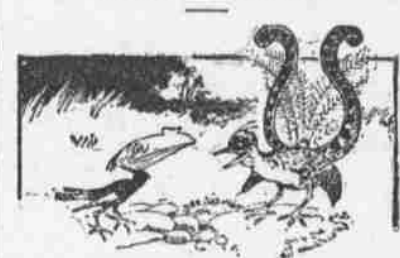
"There really is nothing to say," replied the cabinet officer. "We discussed nothing of especial importance."

"Do you mean to say you did not discuss politics?" the newspaper man queried.

The postmaster general burst into laughter. When he recovered his usual serenity he said:

"Do you suppose we were all muzzled?"

NATURE STUDIES.



The Phainopepla Bird—Hello, who are you?

The Other Bird—Don't you know me? Why, I'm "The harp that once through Tara's halls."

The Phainopepla Bird (shortly)—Oh, tut, tut! You're a lyre! That's what you are.

An Irish Bull.

After Boyle Roche's famous bird comes the County Cork veterinary surgeon. At the last meeting of the Dunmanway rural council a member of that body complained of the inattention of the official veterinary surgeon. "There was," the rural councillor explained, "a case of swine fever in this place recently, and, though 'the doctor' got the order to go there, he never turned up until the following Tuesday, and even then it was another man who came to represent him."

Why Actors Wear Long Hair.

Why do actors so often wear long hair? Perhaps this is the reason: There once was a statue in England under which actors found wandering were liable to be branded through the right ear. The long hair concealed the decoration and thus the custom was started.

AN OLD TIMER Has Had Experiences.

A woman who has used Postum since it came upon the market knows from experience the wisdom of using Postum in place of coffee if one values health and a clear brain. She says:

"At the time Postum was first put on the market I was suffering from nervous dyspepsia, and my physician had repeatedly told me not to use tea or coffee. Finally I decided to take his advice and try Postum. I got a package and had it carefully prepared, finding it delicious to the taste. So I continued its use and very soon its beneficial effects convinced me of its value, for I got well of my nervousness and dyspepsia."

"My husband had been drinking coffee all his life until it had affected his nerves terribly, and I persuaded him to shift to Postum. It was easy to get him to make the change for the Postum is so delicious. It certainly worked wonders for him."

"We soon learned that Postum does not exhilarate nor depress and does not stimulate, but steadily and honestly strengthens the nerves and the stomach."

"To make a long story short, our entire family continued to use Postum with satisfying results, as shown in our fine condition of health and we have noticed a rather unexpected improvement in brain and nerve power."

Increased brain and nerve power always follow the use of Postum in place of coffee, sometimes in a very marked manner. "There's a Reason."

Look in pkgs. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.